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The Honorable Gary Sisco
Secretary of the Senate
Office of Public Records
232 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc.

Dear Secretary Sisco:

Please find enclosed the amended 1999 FEC Year-End Report for the above listed committee. There are a variety of reasons for this amendment which are noted below.

Near the end of last year we switched to a new campaign finance reporting software program. While learning the program we encountered several "bugs" that had to be addressed. Exasperating this problem was the fact that each time we received an update "phantom" entries would show up in the report.

Additionally, we discovered after filing our report, that several donations made specifically as contributions to Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc., were reported as received by Louisiana 1999, a joint fundraiser. Each of the contributions was originally reported as a memo entry under the transfer from Louisiana 1999. This error has been rectified and all the contributions are now correctly reported.

Finally, in a review of our books, by our accounting firm, we discovered that several checks written by the committee had not been cashed. We were unsure what to do about these so we spoke with our representative at the FEC (Adam Ragan) and he told us that for the three checks that were either donations or reimbursements totaling \$57.00 to merely list them as "Other Receipts" that would be reported on line 15 of the report. As to a \$250.00 check that was a refund of a contribution, he informed us that we could keep the money after making a good faith effort to locate the party to whom the check was written. He asked that we show it on the report as a negative contribution refund. Therefore, lines 6(b) and 20(a) show this amount.

Due to the software problems encountered when initially filing the report, much of it has changed. Therefore, to make it easier we have prepared a complete amended report.

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Not for and authorized by the Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc.

Contributions are not tax deductible. Federal law requires political committees to report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer for each individual whose contributions aggregate in excess of \$200 in a calendar year.